

Reimagine Plans Updates

Planning Commission Work Session

May 21, 2019





Hollins Center Plan Update

Draft Plan Reveal

Community Meetings

Saturday, March 23: 59

Monday, March 25: 84

Total Attendance: 143



Draft Plan Reveal

Seven exhibits/exercises:

1. How we got here/process overview
2. Vision, Principles, Core Objectives
3. Transportation projects with ranking exercise
4. Park improvements with comment sheet
5. Gateway/Streetscape Improvements and Community Amenities ranking exercise
6. Future Land Use options with dots
7. How do you want to stay informed?



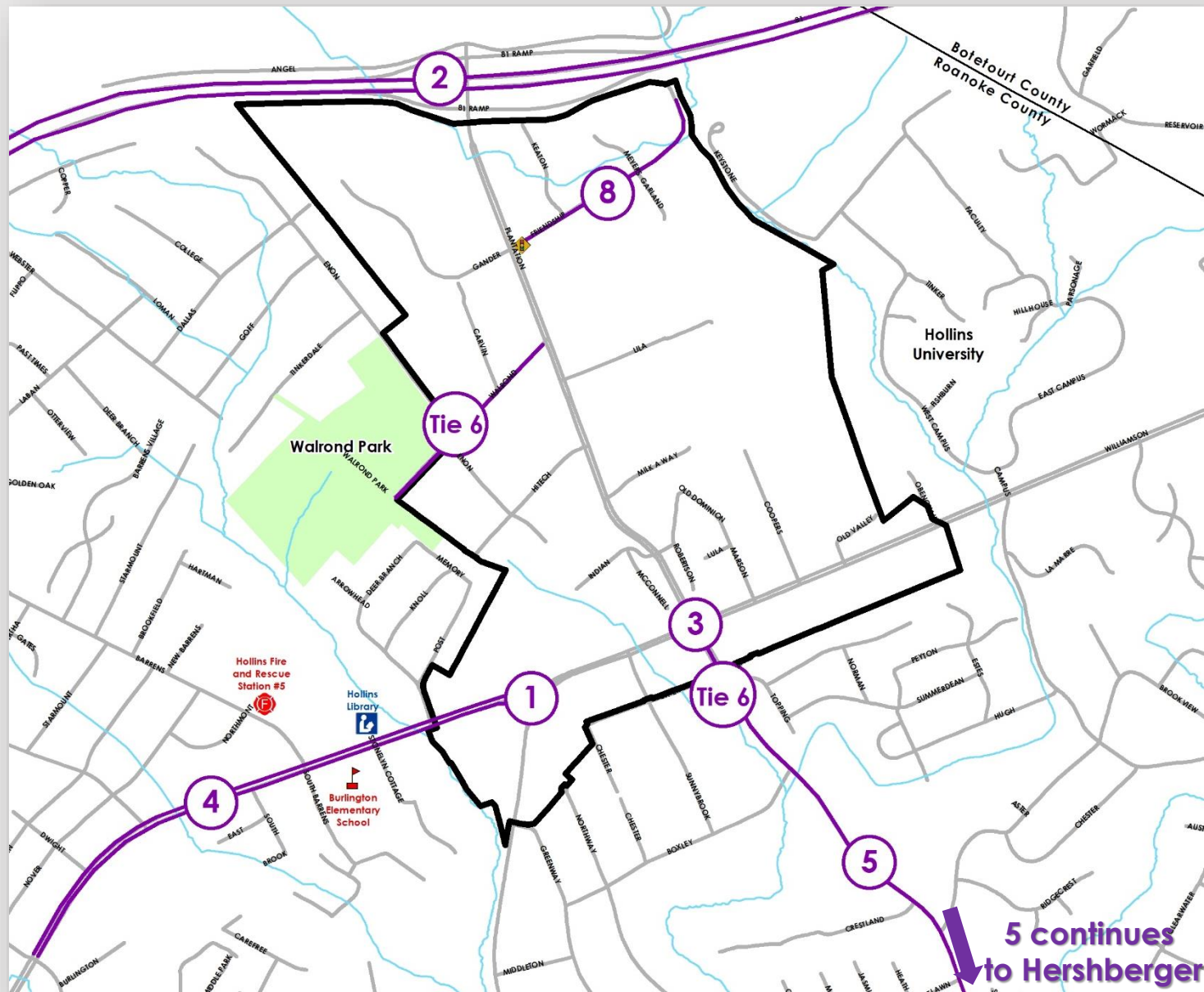
Transportation

Road Projects (Purple):

1. Improve the Williamson Road/Peters Creek Road Intersection
2. Widen Interstate 81 (support regional and statewide efforts)
3. Improve the Plantation Road/Williamson Road intersection
4. Improve Peters Creek Road shoulders to accommodate U-turns, deceleration lanes and bike lanes
5. Reconstruct Plantation Road from Williamson Road to Hershberger Road to allow a three-lane section with multimodal accommodations
6. Reconstruct Walrond Drive to widen for industrial and park traffic
6. Improve the Plantation Road/Dexter Road intersection
8. Reconstruct Friendship Lane to widen the roadway and address drainage issues

Transportation

Road Projects Results



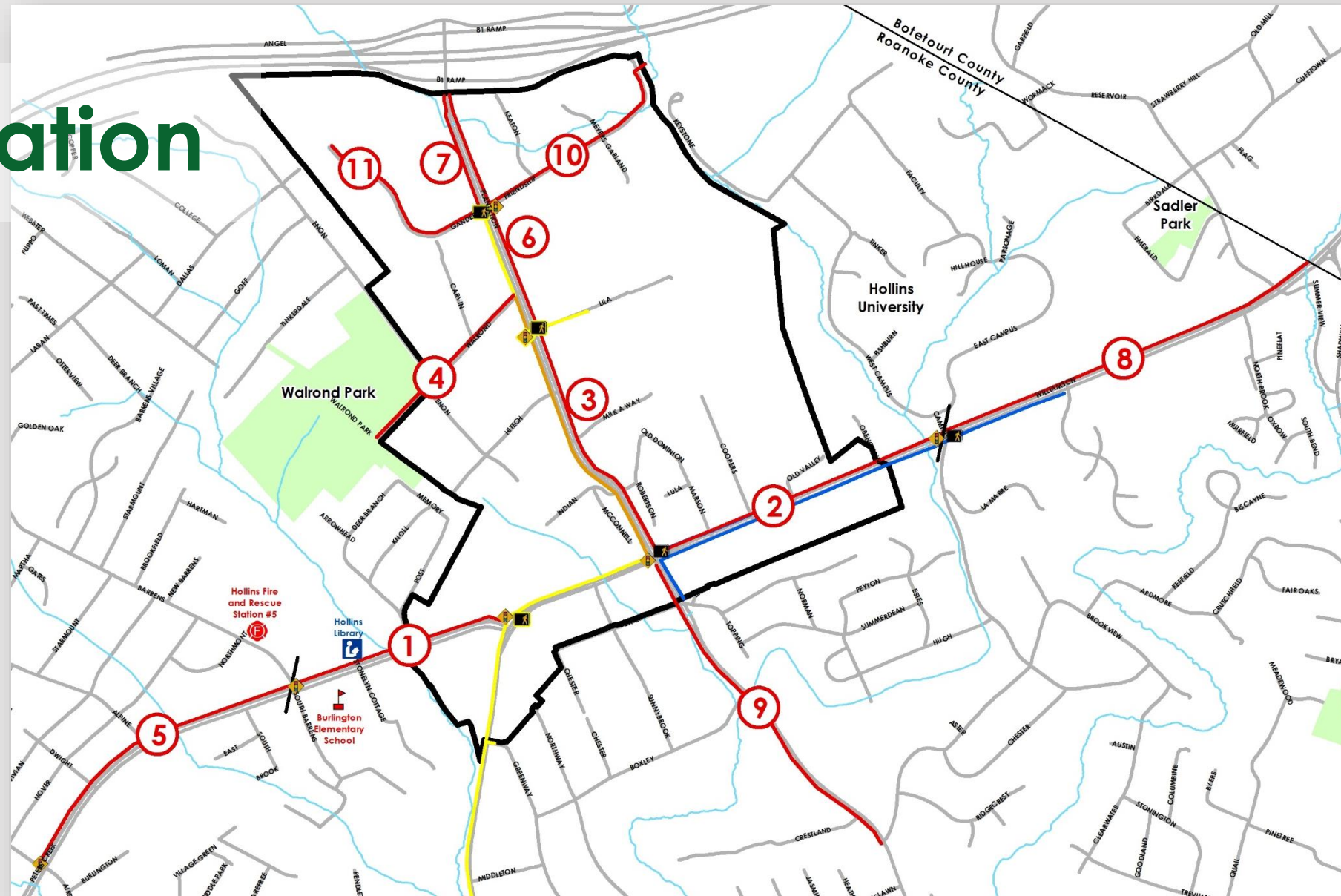
Transportation

Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects (Red):

1. Peters Creek Road from Williamson Road to Barrens Road
2. Williamson Road from Plantation Road to Campus Drive/LaMarre Drive (north side)
3. Plantation Road from Williamson Road to Lila Drive (east side)
4. Walrond Drive from Plantation Road to Walrond Park
5. Peters Creek Road from Barrens Road to Airport Road/Archcrest Drive
6. Plantation Road from Lila Drive to McDonald's (east side)
7. Plantation Road from Gander Way to Days Inn (west side)
8. Williamson Road from Campus Drive to Botetourt County (north side)
9. Plantation Road from Williamson Road to Ridgecrest Drive
10. Friendship Lane from Plantation Road to Carvins Creek
11. Gander Way

Transportation

Bicycle and Pedestrian Project Results



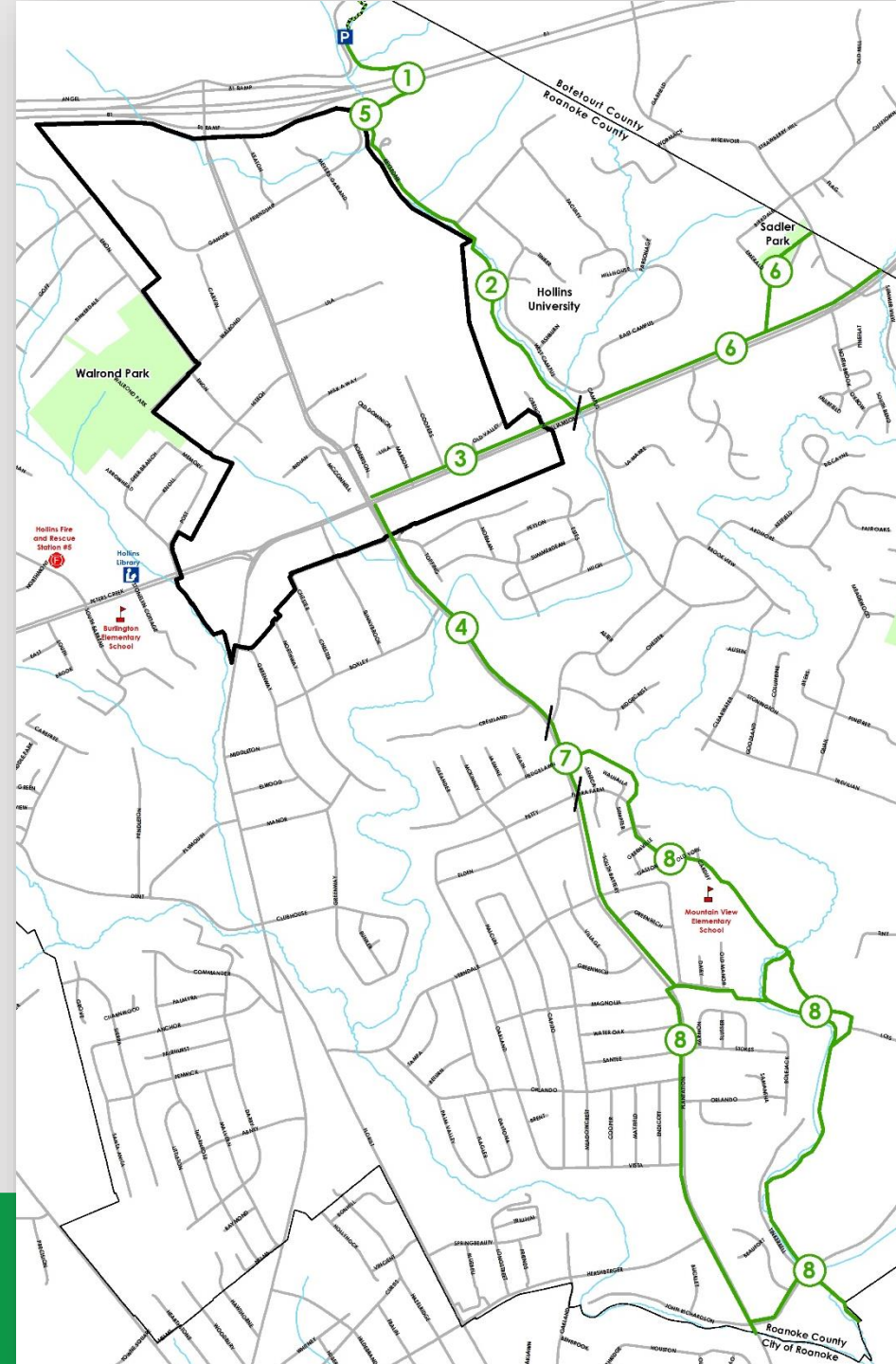
Transportation

Greenway Projects (Green):

1. Construct a greenway segment from the trailhead parking lot under I-81 to Carvins Creek in collaboration with Hollins University
2. Continue discussions with Hollins University regarding constructing a greenway segment along Carvins Creek from the Friendship Lane bridge at Carvins Creek to Williamson Road
3. Construct along Williamson Road from Plantation Road to Campus Drive/LaMarre Drive (north side)
4. Construct along Plantation Road from Williamson Road to Ridgecrest Drive
5. Reconstruct Friendship Lane bridge across Carvins Creek
6. Construct along Williamson Road from Campus Drive to Botetourt County (north side), considering the alignment through Sadler Park if needed
7. Construct along Plantation Road from Ridgecrest Drive to Flora Farm Drive
8. Construct along Plantation Road and/or along Tinker Creek between Flora Farm Drive and the City of Roanoke as opportunities arise

Transportation

Greenway Projects Results



Transportation

Transit Opportunity Question:

Work with area businesses and Hollins University to determine demand and support for potential expansion of mass transit routes.

68% Yes

32% No



Parks: Walrond

85% (35 respondents) have visited in the past six months

Comments:

- Support for new playground and want swings/playground for babies/toddlers and big kids also
- Want expanded trails with amenities and better connections to the park
- Want better/increased parking
- Want a dog park
- Pond-related comments
- Other requests for activities/improvements



Parks: Hollins

39% (16 respondents) have visited in the past six months

Comments:

- Playground improvements including accessible improvements needed
- Pave/expand parking lot
- Pave walkways
- Add:
 - Restrooms
 - Splash pad/splash park
 - Baseball field
 - Trail lighting
 - New signs



Parks: Sadler

10% (4 respondents) have visited in the past six months

Comments:

- Didn't know park was there; wayfinding/signs needed
- Support for:
 - Greenway connection
 - Playground equipment upgrades including accessible improvements
 - Paved walkways
 - Picnic area
 - Dog park



Gateway & Streetscape Improvements

Incorporating Gateway & Streetscape Improvements
Rank 1 (*most important*) to 6 (*least important*)

3

Street
Trees



5

Landscaped
Medians



1

Gateway
Features



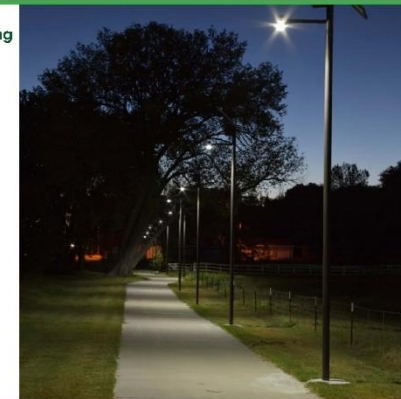
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Street Fixtures
(Bench, Trashcan)



4

Pedestrian
Sidewalk Lighting



2

Street
Lighting



Community Amenities

Incorporating Community Amenities
Rank 1 (*most important*) to 6 (*least important*)

Pedestrian
Connections

1



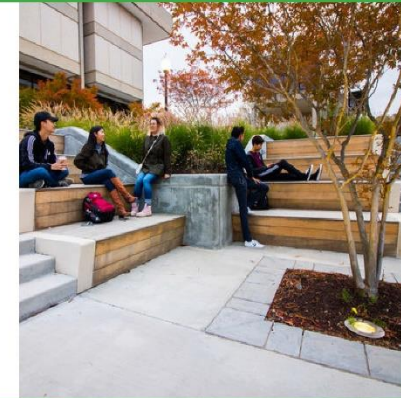
Playground
Equipment

2



Places to
Gather

3



Places for
Pets

4



Community
Gardens

5

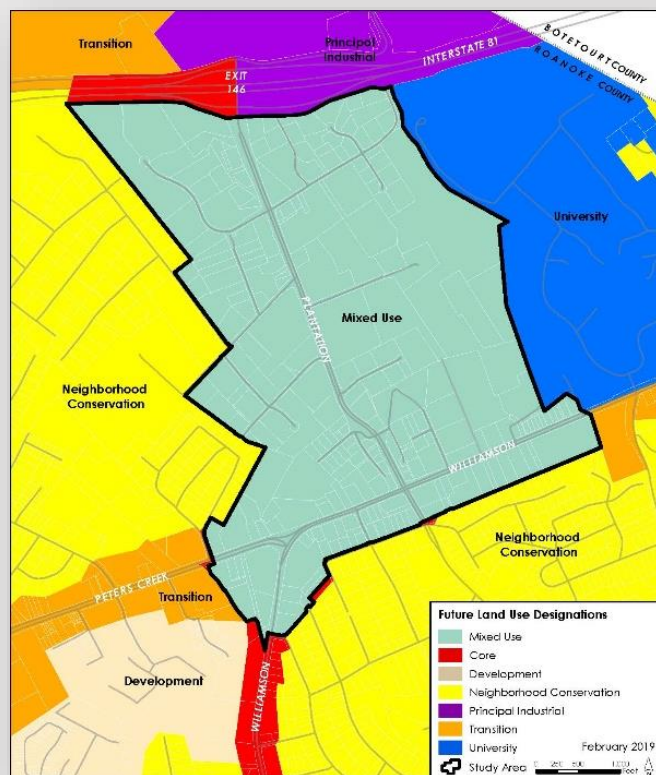


Public Art / Sense
of Community

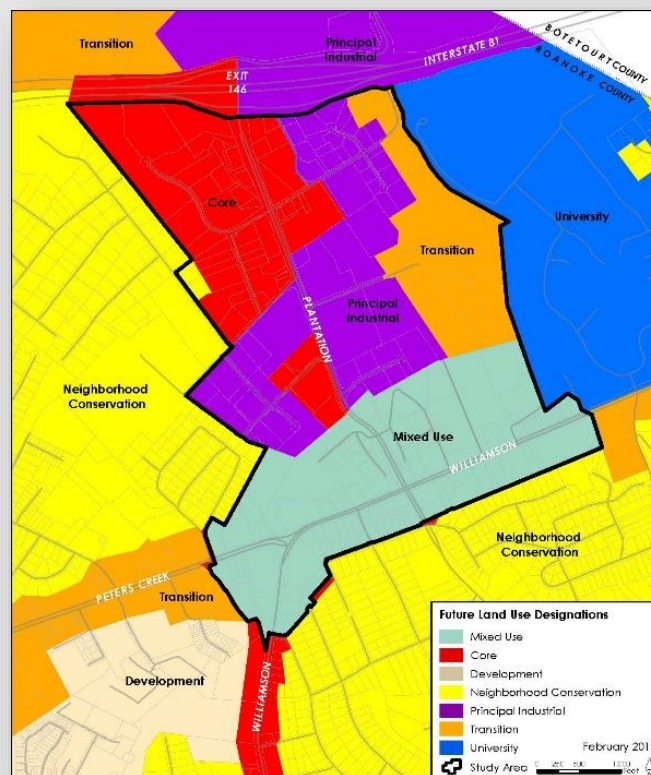
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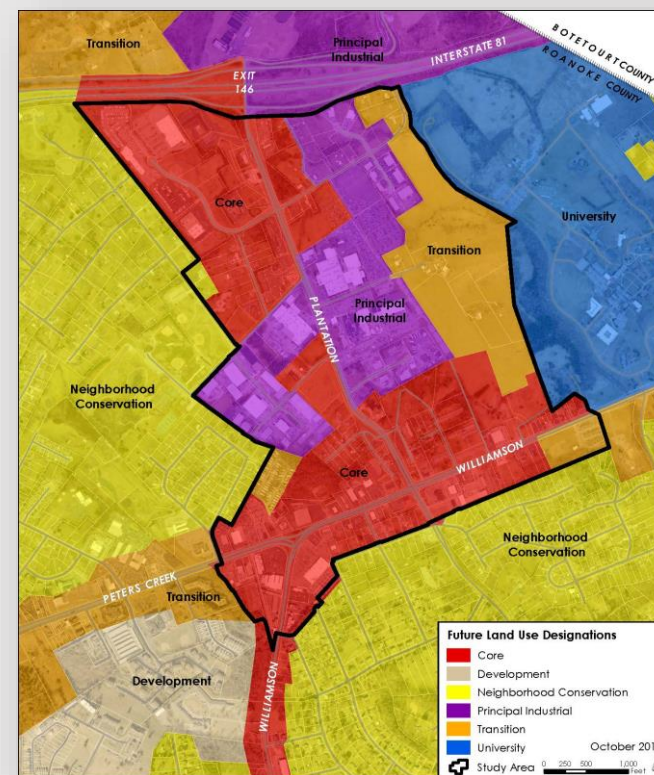
Future Land Use Scenarios



#1: Full Mixed Use (56%)



#2: Partial Mixed Use (38%)



#3: No Change (6%)

Next Steps

June 18:
Review Plan Recommendations

July/August:
Finalize draft Plan

September:
Public Hearing (tentative)





Oak Grove Center Plan Update

Draft Plan Reveal

Community Meetings

Thursday, May 2: 130

Saturday, May 4: 61

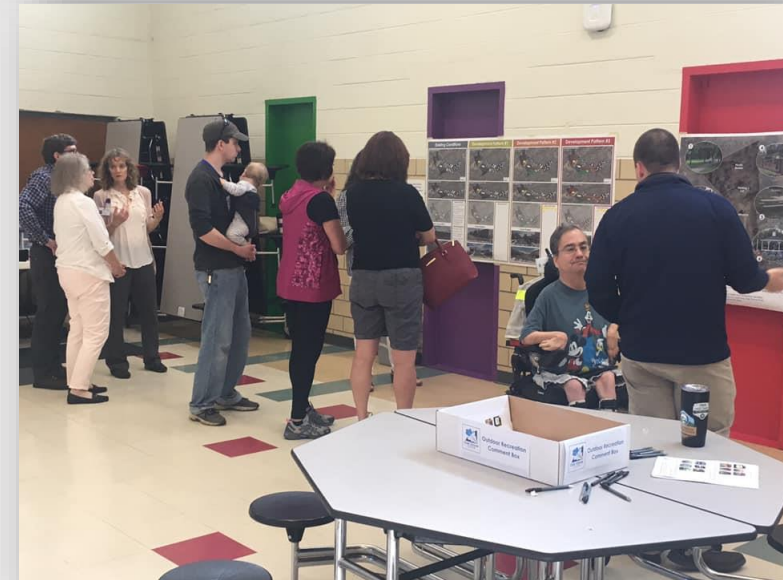
Total Attendance: 191



Draft Plan Reveal

Seven exhibits/ exercises:

1. How we got here/process overview
2. Vision, Principles, Core Objectives
3. Gathering Spaces and Streetscape
4. Development Patterns
5. Oak Grove Park and vacant County parcel improvements
6. Multimodal transportation projects
7. How do you want to stay informed?



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Comment Opportunities

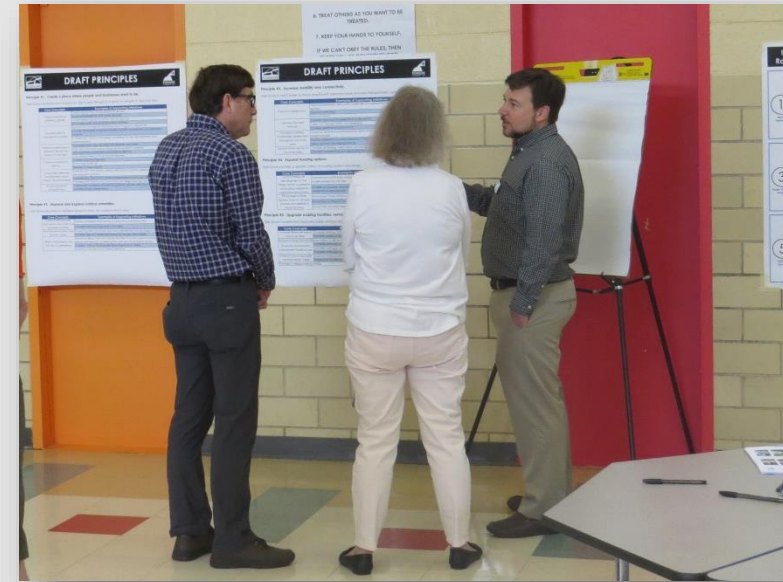
Rank most to least important:

- Gathering Spaces and Streetscape
- Oak Grove Park and vacant County parcel improvements
- Multimodal transportation projects (intersections, pedestrian/bicycle, greenway)

Dot vote: Development Patterns

Flip chart: Vision, Principles, Core Objectives

Open comment space: How do you want to stay informed



Next Steps

- **May 31:** Online Exercises Close
- **June 7:** City of Roanoke Planning Commission (Meetings and Comment Summary)
- **June 18:** Roanoke County Planning Commission Work Session (Comment Summary and Draft Plan)
- **Summer/Fall:** Review document and hold joint Public Hearing in Oak Grove



Questions

